Faith That Risks Caleb: Having a "Mountain Mentality" Joshua 14:6-15 (page 156)

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Faith that risks:

- is <u>c o u r a g e o u s</u> to stand on God's <u>t r u t h</u> (14:6–8)
 - It is strong to stand against:
 - $\sqrt{\text{the } m \, a \, j \, o \, r \, i \, t \, y}$ (vs 6–8; Num 13:30-14:4)
 - $\sqrt{\text{overwhelming opposition}}$ (Num13:26–29; 14:10)
- looks <u>f o r w a r d</u> based on God's <u>p r o m i s e s</u> (14:9–11)

It is *not* <u>diminished</u> by:

- $\sqrt{\text{time}}$ (vs 9–10c; 2 Cor 1:19-20; Heb 13:8)
- $\sqrt{\text{ or} \, \text{a g e}} \, (\text{vs10d-11; Psalm 37:25})$
- <u>a s k s</u> God for <u>b i q</u> things (14:12)

It <u>believes</u> that:

- $\sqrt{\text{ no enemy can } \underline{\text{stand}} \underline{\text{against}}}$ God (vs 12a; Rom 8:31-39)
- $\sqrt{\text{nothing}}$ is $\underline{\text{impossible}}$ with God (vs 12b; Luke 1:37; 18:27)
- <u>a c t s</u> to <u>o b t a i n</u> its inheritance (14:13–15)
 - $\sqrt{\text{faith is not } \underline{\text{p a s s i v e}}}$, but is $\underline{\text{a c t i v e}}$ in the pursuit of God's $\underline{\text{w i I I}}$ (Heb 11:6)
 - $\sqrt{\text{faith that risks } \underline{\text{follows}}}$ God $\underline{\text{wholeheartedly}}$ (v 14; Num 14:24; Deut 1:36; Josh 14:8,9)

Making a difference...

What "giants" are keeping you from wholeheartedly following Lord? Finances? Job? Security? Fear about the future? V is keeping you from having a face that risks?	
How can remembering God's past help affect the way that yo face a great challenge or difficulty?	u
Caleb had within him a "different spirit". What does that mean How can you have that kind of spirit?	?
Caleb "finished well". How did he do that? What can you lear from Caleb to help you "finish well" in your life of faith?	n